



# CITY OF SEQUIM *News*



*July 2016*

## Meeting Dates & Locations

The meetings are held at the Civic Center located at  
152 W. Cedar Street.

<b>City Council Regular Meeting</b> <b>Council Chambers</b>	<b>2nd &amp; 4th Monday</b> <b>6:00 p.m.</b>
City Council Work Session Council Chambers (when required)	2nd & 4th Monday 5:00 p.m.
Planning Commission Council Chambers	1st & 3rd Tuesday 6:00 p.m.
Parks and Recreation Board Community Conf. Room	1st Monday 6:30 p.m. Jul & Aug Mtgs. Cancelled
Lodging Tax Advisory Comm. Community Conf. Room	Quarterly—Next Meeting September 9—11:30 p.m.
Arts Advisory Commission Community Conf. Room	3rd Monday 3:00 p.m.

## Promotions in Public Works

Congratulations are in order for several members of the Public Works staff who have been promoted to new positions.

**Congrats!**

**Ty Brown**—Operations Manager  
**Scott Carter**—Sewer Lead  
**Roger Gilchrist**—Parks Lead

## Music in the Park

### Presenting Sponsor Air Flo Heating

Join us each Tuesday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. throughout the summer to hear new groups and old favorites. Bring your chair or blanket, and a picnic, and enjoy an evening of music at the James Center for the Performing Arts, located at Carrie Blake Community Park, 563 N. Rhodefer Road.



**July 5—Comanche Joey**, Classic Rock, Blues, Folk  
**July 12—Lobo del Mar**, Celtic, Bluegrass, Flamenco Fusion  
**July 19—Locos Only**, Rock, Blues  
**July 26—Andre Feriante**, Classical Guitar  
**August 2—Navy Band of NW**, Variety  
**August 9—Joy in Mudville**, Bluegrass, Folk, Rock, Blues, Funk  
**August 16—Stardust Big Band**, Big Band Sound  
**August 23—5th Annual Sequim Karaoke Night**, Contest  
**August 30—Farmstrong**, Bluegrass, Country, Folk, Rock

## UPCOMING PUBLIC HEARINGS

**July 11**—1) Zoning Revisions for Consistency

**July 25**—1) Adopting TIP 2017—2022 Project List and  
TBD Adopting TIP List

## Welcome New Employee!

Kyle Resser— Police Officer 6/1



**City offices will be closed on  
Monday, July 4 in observance  
of Independence Day.**

## Police Department to Increase Traffic Enforcement in August

Sequim Police will be conducting heightened traffic enforcement in the neighborhoods of North 7th Avenue and East Fir Street during the month of August. The effort is based on input from area residents who expressed their concerns about speeding traffic to members of the City Council. For more information, contact the Police Department at 683-7227.

**The Annual Water Quality Report is  
complete. To read the report, visit  
[www.sequimwa.gov](http://www.sequimwa.gov).**



## Summer Roads Projects

The Public Works Department is taking a proactive approach to correcting roadway pavement deficiencies early, before the pavement has deteriorated to the point where a costly full reconstruction of the road is required. In 2016, the pavement preservation work will take place in the following areas:

- West Fir St. between 5th and 9th Avenues—Overlay
- Klahn Pl. Cul-de-sac—Overlay
- North 7th Avenue-Reconstruction due to water main break near West Alder Loop.

City staff is also putting together a second street project for 2016 that will emphasize sidewalk and Americans with Disabilities Act improvements on Blake and Brown Roads to be constructed this autumn. Additional paving is also planned to be constructed as weather allows. The projects will be funded from the Transportation Benefits District Funds (TBD), and the Utility Fund.

## VOLUNTEER CORNER

### Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) Robyn McDonald



Volunteer Robyn McDonald

When Robyn McDonald moved to Sequim from Reno, Nevada seven years ago, she knew she was going to need to find something to do. The mother of a friend suggested that she look into volunteering for the Police Department, because of her own positive experience volunteering in California.

Robyn had left a career in sales management and had no previous experience with law enforcement. The VIPS program turned to be a good fit, and she's been volunteering for the past five and a half years.

"I'm ready to try anything," Robyn said about why the VIPS program works for her. "I do something different every day and I enjoy the variety. It helps that I can think quickly," she added.

Robyn's responsibilities include office administration, vacation house watch, concealed pistol licensing, and any other duties that are needed, including helping to recruit new VIPS to the program. In late June, Robyn helped to staff a booth at the Sequim Farmer's Market letting the public know about becoming a part of the VIPS program.

"Volunteering gives me a reason to get out of bed in the morning. I know someone is counting on me to be someplace. It's also really nice to know that I'm helping other people. I want to make people feel comfortable and ease their situation, especially if it's a difficult one," Robyn said.

To learn more about how you can volunteer with the City, contact City Clerk Karen Kuznek-Reese at 681-3428 or [kkuznek@sequimwa.gov](mailto:kkuznek@sequimwa.gov).

**NEW SUMMER HOURS AT THE WATER REUSE  
INTERPRETIVE CENTER**  
**2nd and 4th Thursdays, noon to 2:00 p.m.**

### Water Saving Tip of the Month

**In the Garden—WATER DEEPLY BUT INFREQUENTLY.** If you need to water your plants, soak the entire root zone. Don't water again until the root zone has nearly dried up. Rather than using a sprinkler to irrigate everywhere, only apply water to individual plants. You can do this by hand or with drip irrigation hoses and emitters.



### Coffee with the Mayor in July

Meet Sequim Mayor Dennis Smith as the Coffee with the Mayor program continues in July. Communications and Marketing Director Barbara Hanna will join the Mayor at the Bell Creek Bar and Grill, located at 707 E.



Comm. & Mktg.  
Director  
Barbara Hanna



Mayor  
Dennis Smith

Washington Street, at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 21, to meet with anyone who wants to chat, ask questions, express a concern, or make a comment about the City or the community. Please contact Dennis Smith at [dsmith@sequimwa.gov](mailto:dsmith@sequimwa.gov) with questions.

### IT'S TOURISM TIME IN SEQUIM!

This summer Sequim will welcome thousands of visitors who come to enjoy local lavender farms and attend events. Please be aware of the increase in pedestrian traffic and keep in mind that there will be some street closures to accommodate events.

### Summer is here and it's hot!

#### Are you planning to install a swimming pool in your yard?



The International Residential Codes defines a swimming pool as any structure intended for swimming or recreational bathing that contains water more than 24 inches deep. This includes in-ground, above-ground and on-ground swimming pools, hot tubs and spas. A building permit is required to place a swimming pool meeting the above definition. Permit requirements provide protection against potential drowning and near-drowning by restricted access to swimming pools, spas and hot tubs. The permit will include "barrier requirements". Barriers include gates, fences and locks.

City Building Services encourages you to contact us if you have any questions about swimming pools, building permits and the requirements to obtain one. Our office is located at 152 W. Cedar Street and our phone number is 683-4908.

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